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1. ~~SECRET~~ PRESIDENT AUGUSTO PINOCHET  
UGARTE TOLD ~~SECRET~~ HE WOULD NOT ACCEPT  
VISITS BY ANY INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS INVESTIGATING  
HUMAN RIGHTS PRACTICES IN CHILE. PINOCHET SPECIFICALLY  
NAMED THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN  
STATES. ~~SECRET~~ COMMENT: SANTIAGO EMBASSY TELEGRAM 4428  
DATED 11 MAY 1976 INDICATED THAT DURING THE VISIT TO CHILE

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BY TREASURY SECRETARY WILLIAM S I M O N, THE GOVERNMENT OF CHILE (GOC) WAS NOT PREPARED TO COMMIT ITSELF TO AN IN-COUNTRY VISIT BY ANY MEMBERS OF THE UNITED NATIONS HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION (UNHRC). THE GOC, HOWEVER, DID CONCUR WITH A PRESS STATEMENT WHICH SAID THAT THE GOC WOULD MEET IN THE NEAR FUTURE WITH THE WORKING GROUP OF THE UNHRC TO ESTABLISH RULES OF PROCEDURE SO THAT A REVIEW OF THE MEASURES UNDERWAY TO ENSURE HUMAN RIGHTS CAN TAKE PLACE IN CHILE. ALTHOUGH CHILE WAS OPPOSED TO THE VISIT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE WORKING GROUP OF THE INTER-AMERICAN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION (IAHRC), THE GOC SAID IT MIGHT ACCEPT SOMEONE ELSE REPRESENTING THE UNITED NATIONS.)

2. PINOCHET SAID THAT DESPITE PRESSURE FROM MANY PLACES, BOTH FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC, HE FIRMLY BELIEVED THAT NOTHING WOULD BE GAINED BY PERMITTING FOREIGN INVESTIGATIVE GROUPS TO VISIT CHILE. PINOCHET NOTED THAT BRAZIL'S POSITION ON HUMAN RIGHTS IN NOT ALLOWING FOREIGN INTERFERENCE HAD BEEN SUCCESSFUL

3. PINOCHET FURTHER STATED THAT NO CHANGES WERE PLANNED IN THE PRESENT SECURITY SYSTEM IN CHILE AND THE

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STATE OF SIEGE WOULD REMAIN IN EFFECT AT ITS PRESENT LEVEL.

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